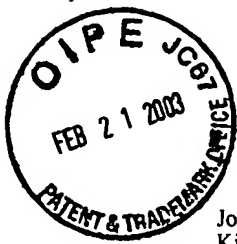


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 For: A FASTENER DEVICE
 Docket No: GJ-220J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Petition to Withdraw a Holding of Abandonment Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.181 for the subject application. Also enclosed are Exhibits A-F and a check in the amount of \$130.00 for the filing fee.

If for any reason this amendment is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts (781) 890-5678.

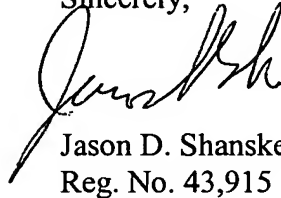
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In addition, pursuant to Rule 1.136(a)(3), the Office is hereby authorized to treat any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Also, any request or Petition for an Extension of Time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference in the Petition to a shorter period of time is to be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time.

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